

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, quality health care is vital for individuals involved in physical activity; and

WHEREAS, certified athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity based on specific tasks, knowledge, and skills acquired through their nationally educated processes; and

WHEREAS, certified athletic trainers provide prevention of injuries; recognition, evaluation, and immediate care; rehabilitation; health care administration; and education and guidance; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers in the State of Idaho are licensed by the State Board of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, more than 31,000 certified athletic trainers nationwide are employed in professional sports, colleges and universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, and corporate and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS, leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have joined together in a common desire to raise public awareness of the importance of the athletic training profession and to emphasize the importance of quality health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity within the aforementioned settings; and

WHEREAS, such an effort will improve health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity and promote certified athletic trainers as allied health professionals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 2006, to be

NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINER'S MONTH

in Idaho, and I urge all Idahoans to learn of the importance of athletic training.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this first day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and six and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE

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